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already made provision according to the Prevention of Adulteration Act. I really do not understand what the hon. Member wants, Sir."

Amendment of Indian Lepers Act and relief to lepers.

* 15 *Q.*—MR. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to the answer given to my question No. 287 on 15th May 1939, will the Hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Indian Lepers Act is proposed to be amended to give relief to lepers and control the nuisance and danger arising from their loitering in public places and contact with other people; and

(*b*) when legislation may be expected in this direction?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN:—" (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

" (*b*) In view of the answer to clause (*a*) this does not arise."

Development of the coir industry.

* 16 *Q.*—MR. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to the answer given to my question No. 237 on 11th May 1939, will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state what steps have been taken by the Government for demonstration of improved methods of coir making in South Kanara and in other districts with large coconut plantations?

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI:—" The Government recently considered a proposal for the constitution of a coir demonstration party for employment in North Malabar or South Kanara. It had to be deferred for want of funds."

MR. J. A. SALDANHA:—" May I enquire, Sir, whether the Government will find funds at an early date to extend it to Malabar and South Kanara which have large coconut plantations? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI:—" I hope so."

Extension of the system of manual training and kindergarten in schools.

* 17 *Q.*—MR. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to the answer to the supplementary question under question No. 253 answered on 12th May 1939, will the Hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the present system of manual training and kindergarten is to be extended and developed and adopted compulsorily in all classes as supplementary to the literary courses, if not, as primary to them; and

(*b*) what provision is made or is to be made for funds to meet the expenditure for the purpose?

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THE HON. SRI C. J. VARKEY :—" (a) The revised syllabuses for elementary schools provide for the teaching of handicrafts in these schools.

" (b) Provision will be made, if funds permit, to meet the expenditure involved."

MR. J. A. SALDANHA :—" May I enquire what the amount provided for the remaining period of the year is?"

THE HON. SRI C. J. VARKEY :—" This year the amount we are going to provide is Rs. 6,000 for two training schools."

Recognition by the Government of the titles given by the Indian National Congress.

* 18 *Q.*—SRI RAO BAHADUR N. R. SAMIAPPA MUDALIYAR: Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government recognized officially the titles conferred upon certain individuals by the Congress; and

(b) if so, whether the Government will place on the table details of such titles in their order of merit?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARIAR :—" (a) The Government do not recognize any titles as such, but cannot disregard obvious facts or names and expressions of regard and respect universally recognized or sometimes even big titles assumed or used by certain persons as part of their own or their friends' names.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI RAO BAHADUR N. R. SAMIAPPA MUDALIYAR :—" I am not able clearly to understand the meaning of the answer."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARIAR :—" I have tried to answer a very difficult and delicate question as clearly as possible. I will read it again, and I am sure the meaning will be clear. (a) 'The Government do not recognize any titles as such, but cannot disregard obvious facts or names and expressions of regard and respect universally recognized or sometimes even big titles assumed or used by certain persons as part of their own or their friends' names.'

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI A. RANGASWAMI AYYANGAR :—" May I ask whether the Government are aware of the fact that 'Mudaliyar' itself originated as a title and has now become part of the regular name?"

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARIAR :—" Yes, Sir; as much as 'Ayyangar' and 'Chariar.'" (Laughter)